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Examiner : Cybille Delacroix-Muirheid
Group : 1614
Applicants : Paul R. Sleath et al.
Application No. : 09/670,106
Filed : September 26, 2000
For : INTERLEUKIN 1 β PROTEASE AND INTERLEUKIN
1 β PROTEASE INHIBITORS

New York, New York
January 24, 2002

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith: [X] an Amendment and Reply (with Exhibits A and B attached); [X] a Petition for Extension of Time to be filed in the above-identified application.

ADDITIONAL FEES

- [X] A fee for additional claims is not required.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, in connection with the paper(s) transmitted

herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

EXTENSION FEE

- [X] The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith; [] \$55.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1); [] \$200.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2); [X] \$460.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3); [] \$720.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(4); \$980.00 extension fee for response within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5).
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in reply to the Office Action dated July 25, 2002 in the above-identified application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith for a three-month extension of time to respond to that Action. With the extension, a response is due on or before January 25, 2002. A check in the amount of \$460.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

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